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Re: Application of Sébastien BARDON, Vincent GLEIZE, Julien ROMÉYER  
FILTRATION STRUCTURE FOR THE EXHAUST GAS FROM AN  
INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE  
**Assignee: SAINT-GOBAIN CENTRE DE RECHERCHES ET D'ETUDES  
EUROPEEN**  
Our Ref: Q90491

Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☐ a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ an English translation of the International Application.
- ☒ 6 sheet of drawings (Figs. 1-9) .
- ☐ an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER).
- ☐ a copy of the executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form.
- ☒ a copy of the ISR.
- ☐ a copy of the IPER.
- ☒ a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the ISR/IPER references.
- ☐ a copy of each reference cited in the ISR/IPER.
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ **it is expressly requested that the national stage of processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 371(f)**

**The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and executed Assignment will be submitted at a later date with the required fees.**

It is assumed that copies of the International Preliminary Examination Report and the certified priority document will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned can easily provide them upon request.



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| Total claims            | <u>13</u> | - | 20 | = | <u>          </u> | x | \$50.00  | = | <u>\$0.00</u>          |
| Independent claims      | <u>1</u>  | - | 3  | = | <u>          </u> | x | \$200.00 | = | <u>\$0.00</u>          |
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Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$900.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

| <u>Country</u> | <u>Application No</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> |
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| France         | 03 04052              | April 1, 2003      |
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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